

Johnny Works with One Hammer

Name of Song or Rhyme

“Johnny works with one hammer”

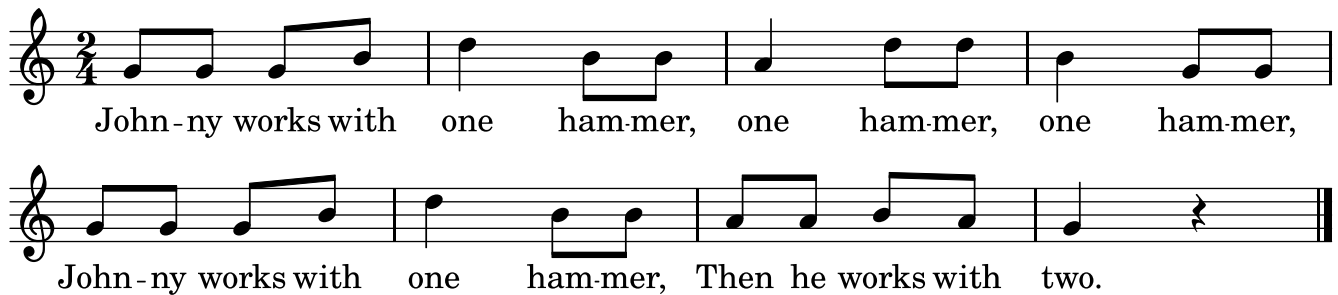
Action Song

First line of song or rhyme (text only)

Song type

Use a checkmark (✓) or “X” in appropriate boxes

Melodic	Melodic/Cultural Analysis	Rhythmic/Uses Analysis	Rhythmic
M1. CSP	D Source's Starting Pitch: D4	$\frac{2}{4}$	R1. Meter
M2. Scale	do pentatonic tetrachord		R2. Metronome
M3. Toneset	(d) r m s	$\frac{3}{4}$ / $\frac{4}{4}$	R3. Note values
M4. Range	1 - 5	☐ Outer: ☐ Inner:	R4. Upbeat
M5. Mel. Form	A B A C	☐ Iso ☒ Hetero A B A C	R5. Rhy. Form
M6. Cadences	3 1 3 1	4 4 4 4	R6. Beats/phrase
M7. Intervals	r↑s (P4)	☒ Iso ☒ Bi ☐ Tri ☐ Hetero ☐ Tetra ☐ Other:	R7. Podia
M8. Target Phrases	A: d-m-s-m B: r-s-m-d C: r-m-r-d	A: ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ B: ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ C: ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐	R8. Target Phrases
M9. M. Diffic.			R9. R. Diffic.
M10. Other			R10. Other
Cultural			Classroom Use
C1. Context	Action song	Actual Verses on Page 2 5	U1. # of verses
C2. Ethnicity	American		U2. Improv.
C3. Geographic	United States		U3. Listening
C4. Source: Where did this version come from?	Forrai, K. (1998). <i>Music in Preschool: Second Revised and Expanded Edition</i> (J. Sinor, Trans.) (p. 147). Sound Thinking Australia.	Additional Room on Page 2 See page 2	U4. Game Directions/ Movement
C5. Source info	☐ Primary ☐ Secondary ☒ Tertiary	Steady beat	U5. Ped. Uses
C6. Research Notes	Additional Room on Page 2 See page 2		U6. Roles
C7. Holiday		Numbers, Counting; Occupations	U7. Themes



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Stick Notation:

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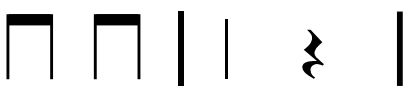
d d d m s m m



r s s m d d



d d d m s m m



r r m r d

C6. Additional Research Notes

This version of the song seems to be a variant; the original appears to be in 6/8 meter. This song appears in Josephine Newbury's *Church Kindergarten Resource Book* (1964) in 6/8, where it lists *Finger Play: Songs for Little Fingers; A Collection* by Mary Miller and Paula Zajan as a source. I am unable to track down this book. *Church Kindergarten Resource Book* lists it as a "folk song", giving me the impression that it was not a recent composition in the 1960s.

This song was made famous by The Wiggles. They recorded it for their debut album, "The Wiggles". They recorded a slightly different version, "Joannie Works with One Hammer", for their album "Big Red Car". This version is exactly the same, but it is about Joannie, not Johnny. Their original version of "Johnny Works with One Hammer" ends with Johnny going on strike, not sleeping!

U1. Additional Verses

2. Johnny works with two hammers... then he works with three.
3. Johnny works with three hammers... then he works with four.
4. Johnny works with four hammers... then he works with five.
5. Johnny works with five hammers... then he goes to sleep.

U4. Game/Dance/Movement Instructions

Movements:

1. Pound on fist on knee.
2. Pound both fists on knee.
3. Pound both fists and one foot.
4. Pound both fists and both feet.
5. Pound both fists, both feet, and nod head. On the last line, rest head on folded hands.